UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

DAVID STEPHENSON,

Plaintiff,

-against-

6:09-CV-326 (LEK/RFT)

ALBANY COUNTY POLICYMAKERS, et al.,

Defendants.

DECISION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Court following a Report-Recommendation filed on August 14, 2009 by the Honorable Randolph F. Treece, United States Magistrate Judge, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and L.R. 72.3 of the Northern District of New York. Report-Rec. (Dkt. No. 7). After ten days from the service thereof, the Clerk has sent the entire file to the undersigned, including the objections by Plaintiff David Stephenson, which were filed on August 24, 2009. Objections (Dkt. No. 8).

It is the duty of this Court to "make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b). "A [district] judge . . . may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." <u>Id.</u> This Court has considered the objections and has undertaken a de novo review of the record and has determined that the Report-Recommendation should be approved for the reasons stated therein.

Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Report-Recommendation (Dkt. No. 7) is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED** in its **ENTIRETY**; and it is further

ORDERED, that pursuant to the Court's review under 28 U.S.C. § 1915 and § 1915A,

Plaintiff's entire Complaint is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE, pending the outcome of

Plaintiff's pending habeas petition; and accordingly all other pending Motions in this case (Dkt. Nos.

3 and 6) should be DENIED and DISMISSED; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Clerk serve a copy of this Order on all parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: September 08, 2009

Albany, New York

Lawrence E. Kahn U.S. District Judge